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SUBJ: TURKISH-CYPRIOT PROPOSALS

1. POL COUNS CALLED ON MFA CYPRUS-GREECE DIRGEN TULUMEN  
APRIL 25 TO DISCUSS, ON PERSONAL BASIS, POSSIBILITY OF A FAR  
STRONGER EFFORT BY TURKISH SIDE TO EMPHASIZE NEGOTIABILITY OF TURKISH  
CYPRIT PROPOSALS. TULUMEN RECONFIRMED THAT THE PROPOSALS  
WERE NEGOTIABLE IN THEIR ENTIRETY. THE PLACE NAMES  
MENTIONED IN THE PROPOSAL WERE INTENDED TO GIVE DIRECTION  
TO THE NEGOTIATIONS, NOT TO IMPOSE A LIMIT. IN THEORY,  
NEGOTIATORS COULD AGREE TO DRAW DEMARCATION LINE AT ALMOST  
ANY DISTANCE FROM THE PLACES MENTIONED. SIMILARLY,  
VAROSHA IS ENTIRELY NEGOTIABLE--BUT AS PART OF A PACKAGE,  
NOT AS A SEPARATE ITEM. (THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THE  
"PACKAGE" RULE, HE SAID, IS THAT DURING NEGOTIATIONS SOME  
HOTELS IN VAROSHA COULD BE REOPENED ON A WITHOUT-PREJUDICE  
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BASIS.)

2. THE GOT REALIZES THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE PROBLEM OF  
PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE PROPOSALS,  
TULUMEN SAID. HOWEVER, SINCE THE PROPOSALS ARE TURKISH  
CYPRIOT, THE GOT CANNOT DIRECTLY ACT AS SPONSOR.  
NEVERTHELESS, PROFESSOR MUMTAZ SOYSAL, THE TURKISH CONSTITU-

TIONAL EXPERT (AND AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT) WHO IS DENKTASH'S ADVISOR, IS BEING SENT TO NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FOR THREE DAYS, ARRIVING EVENING APRIL 25 AND STAYING THROUGH APRIL 28. HIS PRIMARY MISSION WILL BE TO EXPLAIN THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS. SOYSAL WILL BE PREPARED FOR TV AND PRESS INTERVIEWS, FOR MEETINGS WITH CONGRESSMEN, AND FOR PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS WITH USG OFFICIALS. TULEMAN ADDED, ON A BASIS OF STRICT CONFIDENCE, THAT SOYSAL HAD FULL AUTHORIZATION TO DISCUSS WITH USG OFFICIALS "THE DETAILS" OF THE PROPOSALS. "THIS IS HOW WE ARE GOING TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT IS IN THE PROPOSALS", HE SAID. FROM THE US, SOYSAL WILL GO TO LONDON, PARIS, AND BRUSSELS TO CARRY ON THE SAME MISSION. IN ADDITION, THE TWO TURKISH CYPRIOT NEGOTIATORS, ERTEGUN AND ONAN, ARE NOW AT STRASBOURG FOR THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE MEETING AND WILL GO FROM THERE TO BRUSSELS AND BONN.

3. AGAIN ON A PERSONAL BASIS, POL COUNS OBSERVED THAT IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL IF PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT COULD RESUME MAKING POSITIVE STATEMENTS ALONG THE LINES OF HIS "PEACE OFFENSIVE". TULUMEN INITIALLY REACTED BY POINTING OUT THAT BOTH THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND SECRETARY GENERAL WERE OUT OF TOWN AND WOULD NOT RETURN FOR ABOUT TWO MORE DAYS. HE COMMENTED, HOWEVER, THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO SUPPORT ANY SUCH SUGGESTIONS UNTIL HE HAD RECEIVED A POSITIVE REPLY TO "SEVERAL REQUESTS" HE HAD MADE OF  
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SECRETARY VANCE DURING THEIR MEETING AT THE CENTO MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON. TULUMEN WOULD NOT SPECIFY WHAT THE REQUESTS WERE.

4. TULUMEN STRESSED THAT IT WAS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THAT WALDHEIM CALL FOR RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. IN HIS OWN OPINION, TULUMEN SAID, TURKEY COULD PROBABLY ACCEPT A CALL FOR TALKS IN JUNE OR JULY. THE ESSENTIAL THING IS THAT WALDHEIM ISSUE THE CALL. HE OBSERVED THAT NEVER BEFORE HAD A SESSION OF THE TALKS BEEN BASED ON A PRECONDITION THAT ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER WOULD OFFER PROPOSALS BEFOREHAND.  
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